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In re Patent Application of)
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For: FORMING UNIT FOR PRODUCING) Confirmation No.:
SEALED PACKAGES FROM A TUBE)
OF SHEET PACKAGING MATERIAL)
FILLED WITH A POURABLE FOOD)
PRODUCT)

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the accompanying information is being submitted in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98.

To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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